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**SYSTEM FOR CUSTOMIZING AND
ORDERING PERSONALIZED
POSTAGE STAMPS**

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AMENDMENT

In response to the Official Action dated May 23, 2002, applicant respectfully requests reconsideration in view of the following amendments and remarks. Please amend the application as follows.

In the Specification:

Please replace the paragraph beginning on page 5, line 2, with the following rewritten paragraph:

91 --In accordance with one aspect of the present invention there is provided a system for ordering a custom official postal stamp, comprising:--

Please replace the paragraph beginning on page 5, line 4, with the following rewritten paragraph:

92 --a central authorizing computer system for communicating with at least one remote ordering system over a communication network, the central authorizing computer system having a computer program for forwarding information to the at least one remote ordering system for allowing customizing of